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2. APPLICATION IDENTIFICATION:

(Provide at least enough information to Identify the application)

a. For prior application

Application No:

09/479,040

Filing Date:

January 7, 2000

Title:

Polyhydroxyalkanoate Biosynthesis Associated Proteins

Attorney Docket No:

MOBT 212

First Named Inventor:

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b. For instant CPA application

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